

## Message Text

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PASS NASA

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: TSPA, AR, US, BR  
SUBJECT: ARGENTINE LANDSAT STATION

REF: (A) 76 BUENOS AIRES 8104; (B) 76 STATE 308114

1. TASSO HAS NOW RECEIVED REPLY FROM PARADA OF INPE DATED NOVEMBER AND FORWARDED WITH LETTER DATED JANUARY. WHILE MAKING NO RPT NO DEFINITE COMMITMENTS IN VIEW NEED OBTAIN COBAE APPROVAL, PARADA'S THINKING APPEARS TO BE CONSISTENT WITH TASSO'S (76 BUENOS AIRES 8095) AT THIS STATE.

2. TASSO PLANS BE IN BRAZIL APRIL 11-15 FOR LANDSAT MEETING, WHICH WE UNDERSTAND SCHEDULED FOR SAO JOSE DOS CAMPOS (INPE) APRIL 12-14. AT THAT TIME HE HOPES REACH MORE DEFINITE AGREEMENT WITH PARADA, WITH UNDERSTANDING THIS WILL BE SUBJECT TO HIGHER LEVEL APPROVALS IN BOTH COUNTRIES. HE ALSO HOPES HOLD FURTHER DISCUSSION ON OVERLAP PROBLEM WITH COVACEVICH FROM CHILE. TASSO WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY ING. SOKOLOWSKI OF CNIE STAFF.

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3. UNDER TERMS OF NASA-CNIE MOU WHICH PROVIDE FOR SUPPLEMENTAL MEETINGS AS MUTUALLY AGREED, TASSO GREATLY INTERESTED IN MEETING WITH NASA HQ AND NASA GODDARD REPRESENTATIVES IN U.S. DURING PERIOD APRIL 16-29 TO DISCUSS TECHNICAL DETAILS OF PLANNED LANDSAT STATION. SOKOLOWSKI WOULD ACCOMPANY TASSO AS WOULD COMODORO ALVARISQUETA (ELECTRONICS EXPERT FROM CITEFA). DATES

ARE RATHER CRUCIAL FOR CNIE AS SEVERE FOREIGN TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS PROBABLY PRECLUDE TRIP AT ANY OTHER TIME THIS YEAR.

4. PREPARATION OF SPECIFICATIONS FOR PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT NEARLY COMPLETED, CNIE RECOGNIZES NASA UNABLE ASSIST IN WAY WHICH WOULD PREJUDICE SELECTION BETWEEN COMPETING FIRMS, AND TASSO MAKES CLEAR HE DOES NOT RPT NOT SEEK THIS TYPE OF HELP. HE DOES NEED ANSWERS TO CERTAIN SPECIFIC QUESTIONS, HOWEVER.

5. CNIE'S CURRENT TARGET DATE FOR CALL FOR BIDS IS MAY 15, WITH BIDS DUE IN BY AUG. 1.

6. BRIG. SANCHEZ PENA IS CNIE'S PROJECT MANAGER. TASSO IS ASST. PROJECT MANAGER.

7. IDEAL SCHEDULE FOR TASSO IF CONVENIENT WITH NASA WOULD BE MEETING FIRST AT NASA HQ, FOLLOTTED BY 2 OR 3 DAYS AT GODDARD. CNIE TEAM WOULD THEN VISIT POTENTIAL SUPPLIERS (FYI GE, BENDIX, CDC), THEN RETURN FOR FINAL DISCUSSIONS AT GODDARD AT END OF U.S. VISIT.

8. EMBASSY ENDORSES CNIE PROPOSAL AND REQUESTS NASA AGREEMENT TO PROPOSED VISIT.  
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